## Frank Laporte Expected to Displace Ray Morgan, Whose Hitting Is Light

## LAPORTE TO PLAY AT SECOND BASE IN MORGAN'S STEAD

Ex-Baltimore Player Has Fallen Off In Batting Average.

#### GANDIL'S INJURY IS **ONLY TEMPORARY**

John Henry Aggravates Crippled Knee Climbing Into Upper

#### By "SENATOR."

CHICAGO, Aug. 7.-The acquisition of Frank Laporte, the Browns' second baseman, is a sign of the approaching benching of Ray Morgan, whose hitting has fallen off so much of late that it is benching of Ray Morgan, whose hitting has fallen off so much of late that it is practically nothing now. Laporte is a good batsman, one of the best on the St. Louis club, and he will be put into the Climbers' line-up at once. On the first Western trip Morgan Jit around 100, but he has fatled miserably ever since, and now is one of the weakest hitters on the team.

"I have obtained Laporte," announced Manager Griffith, "to bolster up our hitting. When you are in a pennant race you must have men for every position. Laporte, besides being a hard hitter, can play anywhere in the infield or outfield, and I figure that he will be a good investment in our struggle to the top of the list."

Laporte will join the Nationals tomorrow morning in St. Louis. The team leaves tonight on the Chicago and Alton, arriving in the Mound City at 7:30. Laporte will probably play second base tomorrow against Stovali's crew. Gandii's injured back was reported much better today, and it is possible that he may play today or tomorrow. Trainer Martin has been busy with the big first baseman every day since coming here.

Rain fell last night, and this morning a light sprinkle kept straw hats unfashionable. It is possible that the game scheduled for today may be postponed, though the White Sox headquarters on the south side denied that this was the case. However, the Nationals may have to play today's battle on their final visit of the season to the Windy City.

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Leaving his home in Amherst, Mass., in perfect condition, able to run and jump with all his well-known skill, and confident that he would be playing as soon as he joined the Climbers, John Henry, the Nationals' star backstop, arrived here crippled from an accident received in climbing into an upper berth. It is doubtful if he will be able to play for at least a week, according to Trainer Mique Martin, who has taken Henry's case in charge.

"I could not get a lower berth," says Henry, "and was lucky to get an upper. In going up to it I must have wrenched my knee, though I was unaware of it when it happened. When I waked up in the morning I found my knee stiff and sore and I could hardly walk on it when I left the station here.

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"I call this pretty tough luck. At home I had my knee massaged every day, and when I wired Griffith I was ready, I had been running and hitting

#### NATIONAL LEAGUE.

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#### Among the Minors. American Association.

Toledo, 0; Kansas City, 5. Indianapolis, 2; Milwaukee, 6. Louisville, 5; Minneapolis, 9. Columbus, 10; St. Paul, 9 U2 innings.) International League.

Rochester, 5; Baltimore, 2. Teronto, 2; Jersey City, 4. Montreal, 8; Providence, 16. Buffalo, 6; Newark, 7 (first game).

New England League. Brockton, 5: Haverhill, 2. Lvnn, 0; Fall River, 4. Worcester, 1; Lowell, 5. Lawrence, 6; New Bedford, 6.

Tri-State League. Harrisburg, 5; Allentown, 4. Atlantic City, 3; York, 1 (first game). York, 5; Atlantic City, 1 (second game). Trenton, 3; Reading, 0. fimington, 25; Chester, 4.

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tients, 5; Montgomery, 2, demphis, 2; Mobile, 6; hattanuous, 7; his

## Pesky Jinx Was Hangin' Round, We Lost the Game on An Unlucky Bound



# MAJOR LEAGUES

#### National and American Circuits Represented At Meeting.

NEW YORK, Aug. 7—A ball players union, organization of which has been attempted several times before now, is a reality. The players of both major leagues virtually have formed a union. In the first inning, with Mattick on 

sixteen clubs were represented at the

The union is still in its infancy, and the details at present will not be made public. Fulls said, however, that in a short time he will be prepared to make a full statement, explaining the aims of the sescelation, and what it hopes to accomplish.

A union of hall players had been

proposed several times previously, but the present one, it is thought, sprang from the Ty Cobb-Tiger strike, which was the aftermath to a fight Cobb had ble with his decisions on balls and with a fan in American League Park in this city.

#### Baseball Standings

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

Standing of the Clubs. Won. Lost. Pct. Win. Lose

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Washington at Chicago.
Philadelphia at St. Louis.
Boston at Cleveland.
New York at Detroit. Yesterday's Results.

Chicago, 2; Washington, 1.
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Philadelphia, 5; St. Louis, 1.
Detroit, 6; New York, 2. NATIONAL LEAGUE.

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## MISFORTUNE IN THE FIRST INNING CAUSES DOWNFALL

#### Collins' Weak Hit Bounds Bad As It Strikes Clod of Earth.

#### By "SENATOR."

CHICAGO, Aug. 7.-When a little bounder hits a clod of earth, jumps over your shortstop's head into left field for a single that brings in two runs, just enough to win, you're treveling in hard

and Morgan fell victims to his tantalizing slow ball. Moeller and Schaefer whifted twice each. Foster, Walker, and Williams alone escaped breezing at the plate, so mag-nificent was the exhibition given by the slim southpaw of the White Sox.

> O'Brien's Poor Work. is quite possible that Umpire

strikes. Mi'an kicked so strenuously on his third strike in the third inning that he was exiled from the game, "Red" Walker succeeding him in the pasture. Schaefer and Morgan likewise registered their dissatisfaction with the work of the newest official in the league, but they escaped banishment. Indeed, Mr. O'Brien carried a chip on his shoulder from first to last and was given plenty of opportunity of proving it. Manager Griffith and tis proving it. Manager Griffith and its walker at first, ending the attempt by henchmen kept after him down to the very end, and last night all discussion centered on the work of O'Brien.

In practice before the game 'Chick' Gandil showed that his injured back prevented his appearing in the game so Herman Schaefer resigned hurriedly from the 'Goat Chib' and held down the first corner in excellent form. However, Gandil's bat was sadly missing in the struggle against Dog White and the first corner in excellent form. How-ever, Gandil's but was sadly missing in the struggle against Doc White and it is conjecture what might have oc-curred in the fourth and ninth had Gandil been hitting instead of the comedian.

White an Easy Winner. Throughout the game the weird mystery in the slow curves of Doc White was too much for the Climbers. They marched to the plate with all confi dence and marched away again, satis fled that the slender portsider had the

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#### Scout Mike Kahoe Off For Vacation At Atlantic City

Mike Kahoe, the Nationals' scout, has returned from the West for a little vacation. Mike has been scouring the wild and wooly West for promising recruits, and came home yesterday. He left for Atlantic City today, where he expects to spend the week-end. Kahoe's last jaunt around the circuits is one of the longest he has ever taken.

fates with him. The former George town star was himself, without shadow fa weakness, turning down the reprecentatives of his home town with all the smooth skill of a finished artist. Just four bingles were made of his Lord. 2b..... delivery and not till the ninth did the Climbers succeed in bunching two of Callahan.if. them. White was an easy winner, um- E.John'n.ss pires or 1.0 umpires. With one gone in the opening session

Mattick bumped a single to right. Perhaps had Williams' peg been perfect it might have prevented his reaching it might have prevented his reaching second, but it was wild and he pilfered. Lord was passed to first, both runners going down when Bodie grounded to Foster. Then came the fluke hit that decided the victory. Collins hit a roller to McBride. The Climbers' captain was act to make an easy out when the ball, striking a clod of earth, jumped over his head and both runners, being in motion, easily crossed the plate. Williams pegged Collins out when he tried to steal and then both teams buckled down for a tight struggle for the mastery. gle for the mastery

#### Luck With White Sox.

Callahan singled in the second, giving way to Zeider when he reached second on Ernie Johnson's sacrifice, but that was the last hit made off Bob Groom until the seventh, when McIntyre, who had succeeded Jeems Jawn in the field, banged a safety to center. It was essentially a twirlers' combat, White against Groom, with the shade in the luck on White's side.

For three frames the Climbers retired in order, the whole side whiffing in the third. Moeller had been called out on strikes in the fourth when "Fateem" Foster bounced his first single to center. "Red" Walker waited and walked. The game might have been determined right then, but for a bit of luck for the Sox. Schaefer collided with one that started for right center at a mile a minute. Maurice Rath leaped high into the air, seized the liner and doubled Walker at first, ending the attempt by the Climbers to tie the score.

Williams walked in the fifth with one gone but neither McBride nor Shanks could do a single thing. Foster singled to left in the sixth with one out and was forced by Walker. second on Ernie Johnson's sacrifice, but

Saved the Shut-Out.

With one down Walker crashed single to center and stole. Schaefer was called out on strikes, complaining bitterly at the poor eyesight of Umpire O'Brien. Morgan came to time with a ringing single to left that brought Walker over the dish. Lord threw out

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### Two Players Score As Ball Bounces Over Mc-Bride's Head.

Williams and the Climbers had been defeated.

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#### Tomorrow's Sports

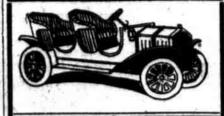
Annual regatta of the Great Lakes ower Boat League opens at Hamilton, Royal Canadian open golf championship tournament opens at Montreal.

Opening of three-day automobile race
meeting at Galveston, Tex.

Tommy Burns vs. Bill Rickard, fifteen rounds, at Saskatoon, Sask.
"Kid" Cotton vs. Jim Stuart, six rounds, at Pittsburgh. Missouri valley championship tennis ournament opens at Kansas City, Mo.

#### Bids for Brenton.

AURORA, Ill., Aug. 7.—President Comiskey, of the White Sox. has made an offer to the Wausau club. of the Wisconsin-Illinois League, for Pitcher Brenton. Callahan watched him work out at the Sox Park Saturday morning and then recommended that he be purchased. Shortstop Tearney, of the Roseland Eclipse club, of Chicago, joined the Aurora Wisconsin-Illinois League team today.



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# GOVERNMENT AGENT CLAIMS DISCOVERY OF INDIAN ATHLETE

that Crain realized the boy's athletic prowess.

The Thorpes live on a ranch near Keokuk Falls, Okla., and several of the athlete's brothers and sisters reside there also. The citizens of the place, as well as the athletic authorities of Oklahoma City, plan to give the aborigine a great reception when he arrives from Stockholm.

Flynn Winner.

BOSTON, Aug. 7.—Porky Flynn, of Boston, won the decision in a one-sided bout with Jim Barry, of Chicago. Flynn was the aggressor throughout, and landed blow after blow on Barry's head and chin.

## BOB THAYER'S Sporting Gossip

"Every Knock Is a Boost."

Lost another tough one.

over yesterday's loss, although it was a tough one to have placed on the wrong side of the ledger. In the last four games played, one with Detroit and three with the White Sox, the games have been determined by one run. It would appear that the team has had an even break in the matter. has had an even break in the matter of winning. What hurts most is Chick Gandil's absence.

Frank Laporte a Climber.

Frank Laporte, latest addition to the Climbers, is a real ballplayer, and Griff is fortunate in getting him. Right new he is hitting .312 consistently, Last year he finished the season with a tailend club, taking part in 136 games for a batting average of .314. In 1911 he hit for .254 with New York. Ability to play either in the infield or outfield makez him one of the most valuable utility players in the game.

The Boston-Cleveland game

The Red Sox had all they were looking for yesterday, and it is interesting to note that Joe Wood, whose last performance against the Browns was productive of but three hits, was pounded for no less than thirteen safeties. It would seem that the star hurler is getting his bumps now, and that the pitch-ing staff is as wobbly as has been re-ported.

Cubs lose a chance.

The Cubs lost an excellent chance to creep closer to the Giants yesterday. The Phillies defeated them while the Giants were being beaten by the Pirates The eight-and-a-half game lead that the Giants have is being cut down slowly but surely, and the Cubs look to have a slight chance of catching up before the final bell rings.

Kahoe takes a vacation.

Mike Kahoe was in town last night and reports little from the front. Mik? isn't a particularly talkative fellow, preferring rather to let results speak for the nselves. The Nationals' scout is off for a week-end at Atlantic City. He will probably look over the players on the teams in the summer resorts along the New Jersey coast where sev-eral youngsters are said to be playing great ball.

Walter Johnson's century

When Johnson's single won the game day before yesterday and he went in and held the White Sox, getting credit

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